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SUBJ: POLICY RE PROTESTS ON PRISONER ISSUE.

REF: MEXICO 10993

1. REGARDING DILEMMA OUTLINED IN REFTEL, CONSULATE RECENTLY EXPERIENCED ADVERSE EFFECTS OF PROTEST IN CASE OF PRISONER BEING HELD IN COZUMEL. THIS INDIVIDUAL, FOUND WITH SMALL QUANTITY OF MARIJUANA, WAS HELD SEVERAL WEEKS WITHOUT CHARGES BEING FILED. PRISONER CLAIMS HE WAS NEGOTIATING HIS OWN RELEASE.

2. WHEN CONSULATE PROTESTED CONTINUED DETENTION OF SUBJECT WITHOUT FORMAL CHARGES, HE WAS PROMPTLY TRANSFERRED TO THE STATE PRISON AND IMMEDIATELY CONSIGNED TO A JUDGE FOR TRIAL.

3. NEEDLESS TO SAY, THE PRISONER IS SOMEWHAT UNHAPPY OVER OUR PROTEST AND STILL BELIEVES HE COULD HAVE BOUGHT HIS WAY OUT IF WE HAD NOT PROTESTED. ASHFORD

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